

Westfield City Council December 9, 2013

The Westfield City Council met Monday December 9, 2013 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were Jim Ake, Bob Horkay, Chuck Lehman, Steve Hoover, Cindy Spoljaric, Bob Smith and Rob Stokes. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Cindy Gossard and representing Legal Counsel Brian Zaiger.

Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

The Council was unable to review the minutes due to a system error. President Ake stated there will be a second meeting Dec. 23rd and the minutes would be approved at that time.

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Guest:

Dan Pitcock representing the Westfield Library gave a brief update on the expansion project.

Claims:

Cindy Spoljaric made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Rob Stokes seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Miscellaneous Business/Special Presentation

Special Presentation: Honoring the Life of John Dippel, 1938-2013

Council members spoke

Mayor Cook spoke

Karen Glaser representing Congresswomen Susan Brooks presented to the family, a Congressional Record, written about John that can be found at the Library of Congress.

Mayor Cook also presented to the family a street sign, John Dippel Avenue. The sign will be issued to a street in the City of Westfield.

Miscellaneous Business: 2014 City Council Meeting Schedule

Steve Hoover made a motion to adopt the 2014 Council Meeting schedule as presented. Bob Smith seconded. Vote: 7; No-0. Motion carries

Old Business:

Ordinance 13-24: Chatham Hills PUD

Introduction – October 14, 2013

APC Public Hearing – November 4, 2013

APC Recommendation – Continued to December 16, 2013

Adoption Consideration – Continued to January 13, 2014

Ordinance 13-33 – Investment Policy

Introduction – November 11, 2013

Adoption Consideration – December 9, 2013

Brian Zaiger presented this item explaining there were some language changes.

Cindy Spoljaric made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-33 as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Ordinance 13-34: Storm water Fee Schedule

Introduction – November 11, 2013

Adoption Consideration – December 9, 2013

Continued to future meeting

New Business:

Ordinance 13-32: Amendment to All Department Fees, Policies & Procedures

Introduction – December 9, 2013

Adoption Consideration – December 23, 2013

Todd Burtron and Brian Zaiger presented this item stating this is an annual update and review of all departments and their fees. With this Ordinance needing to be approved by year end, a request was made to suspend the rules and approve this at tonight's meeting.

Bob Smith made a motion to suspend the rules. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Bob Horkay made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-32 as presented. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Resolution 13-117: Amendment to Policies & Procedures Manual
Adoption Consideration – December 9, 2013

Brian Zaiger presented stating this is an Internal Resolution between the City and the Employee. The changes dealing with tuition reimbursement for the employee and expense reporting per request of the Clerk Treasurer's office.

Bob Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 13-117 as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Resolution 13-118: Department Charge Offs
Adoption Consideration – December 9, 2013

Todd Burtron presented this item asking for approval to write-off bad debit utility charges for 2013, 2012, & 2011.

Steve Hoover made a motion to approve Resolution 13-118 as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Resolution 13-119: Interlocal Agreement
Adoption Consideration-December 9, 2013

Todd Burtron presented stating this is an agreement between the City and Hamilton Co. for the upgrading of the Public Radio System. The City will be purchasing new radios to be used by our police and fire departments. The cost of the radios was negotiated by the County and came in below QPA prices. (\$370,000)

Steve Hoover made a motion to approve Resolution 13-119 as presented. Bob Smith seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Maple Knoll PUD Text Amendment
Council Introduction-December 9, 2013
APC Public Hearing- January 6, 2014
APC Recommendation- January 20, 2014
Adoption Consideration- February 10, 2014

Ryan Clark presented, explaining this is an Amendment to Ordinance 04-02 replacing the sign standards with those current standards set by Westfield Washington Township. Petitioner Jon Dobosiewicz was on hand to answer any questions.

Moved on to APC

North Walk PUD Ordinance
Council Introduction-December 9, 2013

APC Public Hearing- January 6, 2014
APC Recommendation- January 20, 2014
Adoption Consideration- February 10, 2014

Kevin Todd presented this PUD Ordinance which would amend the current zoning ordinance for approximately 3 acres to build up to 16 single family homes just outside of the Grand Junction District. Petitioner, Jim Anderson gave a presentation explaining further details and answering any questions. Cindy Spoljaric gave a copy of her issues/concerns to the petitioner to look into before this goes to the Plan Commission.

Moved to APC

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Jim Ake thanked Melody Jones for the Christmas in Lights

Jim Ake congratulated the Westfield Football Team for their outstanding season and their performance at Lucas Oil.

Cindy Spoljaric explained there will be an open house this Wednesday (the 11th @ 6:30pm) at Oak Trace Elementary to discuss the potential plans for 161st and Springmill.

Steve Hoover gave a brief update on the APC meetings.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Commented on the Westfield in Lights


Gave Anne Cotham a heartfelt thank you and praised her for all that she does for him and the City

Wished a Merry Christmas to the citizens of Westfield and to the Dippel family

*Minutes will be approved at December 30, 2013 meeting, as date was changed.

Cindy Spoljaric made a motion to adjourn. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.


Clerk-Treasurer


President